### FISCAL NOTE

## SB 1793 - HB 1560

March 17, 2007

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Provides minimum training requirements for firefighters.

## **ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

Increase State Expenditures - \$385,000/Per year
through FY09-10
\$15,000/One-Time
\$317,000/Recurring FY10-11
and Thereafter
Increase State Revenues - \$228,000/Per year through FY09-10
\$160,000/Recurring FY10-11 and

Thereafter

Increase Local Govt. Expenditures\* - \$228,000/Through FY09-10 \$160,000/Recurring FY10-11 and Thereafter

# Assumptions:

- From the implementation of the program through FY09-10 approximately 1000 firefighters per year will go through the Fire Academy's 16 hour training program. The cost to local governments (and subsequent fee revenue and cost to the state) to participate in this program is \$36 per firefighter.
- From FY10-11 and thereafter approximately 700 firefighters per year will go through the Fire Academy's 16 hour training program. The cost to local governments to participate in this program (and subsequent fee revenue and cost to the state) is \$36 per firefighter.
- From the implementation of the program through FY09-10 approximately 800 firefighters per year will go through the Fire Academy's 84 hour training program. The cost to local governments to participate in this program (and subsequent fee revenue and cost to the state) is \$240 per firefighter.
- From FY10-11 and thereafter approximately 560 firefighters per year will go through the Fire Academy's 84 hour training program. The cost to

- local governments to participate in this program (and the subsequent fee revenue and cost to the state) is \$240 per firefighter.
- The Department of Commerce and Insurance will require two positions, one position upgrade, and three contracted positions at a total recurring cost to the state including salary, benefits and operational expenses of \$158,000.
- The total increase in state expenditures per year through FY09-10 is calculated as:

\$228,000 (cost of providing classes) + \$157,000 (positions for C&I) = \$385,000

The total increase in state expenditures for FY10-11 and thereafter is calculated as:

\$160,000 (cost of providing classes) + \$157,000 (positions for C&I) = \$317,000

• The Department of Commerce and Insurance will require one-time expenditures of \$15,200 for computer equipment and office furnishings.

#### **CERTIFICATION:**

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James W. White, Executive Director

<sup>\*</sup>Article II, Section 24 of the Tennessee Constitution provides that: no law of general application shall impose increased expenditure requirements on cities or counties unless the General Assembly shall provide that the state share in the cost.